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For: SPINOCEREBELLAR ATAXIA TYPE 8 AND METHODS OF DETECTION

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to taking up the above-identified application for examination, please amend the specification as follows.

In the Specification

At page 30, line 13, please delete "(SEQ ID NO:20)" and insert therefor --(SEQ ID NO:9)--.

Remarks

This amendment is made to correct a typographical error in the specification. Furthermore, support for this amendment can be found at page 18, line 23, and page 28, line 11. No new matter has been added.

## CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.8:

The undersigned hereby certifies that this paper is being deposited in the United States Postal Service, as first class mail, in an envelope addressed to: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Attn: Box Missing Parts, Washington, D.C. 20231, on this 11 day of February, 1999.

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